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PART I

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT ORDERS

DEVELOPMENT SECRETARIAT

Maternity Leave.

READ—

Government Order No. D. 140-141—I. & C. 259-25-12, dated Camp Mysore, the 30th October 1928, issuing a set of Work Service Rules for the benefit of the employees of the Industrial Concerns under the control of the Department of Industries and Commerce.

2. Letter No. D2-2414-28-29, dated the 16th February 1933, from the Director of Industries and Commerce in Mysore, stating that in some of the Industrial Concerns under the control of the Industries and Commerce Department, women are employed to a large extent that the Work Service Rules sanctioned in the Government Order read above and applicable to these concerns do not contain any provision for the grant of maternity leave to the women employees and recommending in the circumstances explained, that a suitable provision may be made in the rules so that the women employees working in the Industrial Concerns might be given leave on average wages for a period not exceeding seven weeks, provided they have put in at least six months' continuous service.

ORDER No. D. 5274-5—I. & C. 253-32-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 21ST APRIL 1933.

Government are pleased to issue the following rules for the grant of maternity leave to women employees in the Industrial Concerns under the control of the Industries and Commerce Department:—

- (1) The scheme shall be non-contributory in the first instance, the entire cost of benefit being borne by the employer.
- (2) The provision of benefit shall be at the rate of the woman's average daily earnings calculated on the total wages earned during the period of three months preceding the day of her confinement or, at the rate of eight annas per day, whichever is less.
- (3) The maximum period for which benefit payment is to be made shall be four weeks up to and including the day of her delivery and four weeks following that day.
- (4) The qualifying period of employment shall be nine months.

S. ABDUL WAJID,
Secretary to Government,
Development Department.

Season and Crop Report.

READ—

Letter No. C. Per. A. 24, dated 28th February 1933, from the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore, forwarding the Season and Crop Report for the year 1931-32, with his review thereon.

2. Letter No. Roc. 2098—Hc. 455 of 1932-33, dated 15th March 1933, from the Director of Agriculture in Mysore, forwarding a note on the report referred to in the letter read above.

ORDER No. D. 5542-90—STCS. 34-32-5, DATED BANGALORE, THE
9TH MAY 1933.

The report was received four months after the due date. Such delays should be avoided in future.

The average rainfall during the year under report was 40.70 inches as against 36.58 inches in the previous year. Except in the Mysore, Kadur and Chitaldrug Districts, and parts of the Hassan District, the "mungar" rains set in late, were scanty and not well distributed. The "hingar" rains were, however, copious and well distributed.

The area under occupancy during the year was 80,57,350 acres as against 81,01,088 acres in the previous year. There was a decrease of 78,008 acres in the area brought under cultivation during the year as compared with the previous year, the figures being 65,68,281 and 66,46,289 for 1931-32 and 1930-31, respectively. The area lying fallow rose from 14,57,799 to 14,89,069 acres. The net area irrigated by the several sources of irrigation fell from 11,31,942 acres to 10,44,424 acres during the year. The gross area under irrigated crops was 10,45,711 acres as against 11,48,648 acres during 1930-31. The total cropped area during the year, treating the second cropped area as additional area, was 68,45,148 acres as against 68,93,176 acres. The decrease of 48,028 acres is shared by all the important crops.

As observed in the Government review of the Season and Crop Report for 1930-31, the method of compilation of statistics has still to be overhauled, so as to make the figures furnished represent the actual position. The Director of Agriculture has, in his note read above, pointed out that the figures given in Table IV in respect of some of the crops are inaccurate or anomalous.

The question of the revision of the headings of the table suggested by the Director of Agriculture is under consideration.

The year was a prosperous one on the whole so far as the outturn of the main crops are concerned. But the low prices of agricultural products which prevailed during the year affected the prosperity of the agricultural population.

S. ABDUL WAJID,
Secretary to Government,
Development Department.

Rainfall Registration in Mysore.

READ—

Letter No. 742, dated 20th—21st April 1933, from the Meteorological Reporter to Government, submitting the report on Rainfall Registration in Mysore, for the year 1932.

ORDER No. D. 5682-91—STCS. 42-32-3, DATED BANGALORE, THE
12TH MAY 1933.

Recorded.

2. Three raingauge stations were opened and one was closed during the year, bringing the total number to 247 against 245 during the previous year.

3. During the year, 241 stations were inspected as against 236 during the previous year. One station in the Hassan District, two in the Shimoga District and three in the Tumkur District were left unvisited. One hundred and twenty-one stations were inspected more than once.

4. Most of the stations inspected are reported to be in good condition.

5. The recording of rainfall statistics at individual stations is stated to be fairly satisfactory. More attention should be paid by inspecting officers to the correct recording of the rainfall in the different stations.

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Development Department.*

PUBLIC WORKS SECRETARIAT

Public Works Department Inspection Lodges.

READ—

1. Government Order No. F1. 882-5—G. F. 31-31-4, dated 12th August 1932, sanctioning the occupation free of cost, by Inspecting Officers of the Electrical Department, the Inspection Bungalow at Sivasamudram during inspections.

2. Notes ending with No. D. 1111, dated the 10th April 1933, by the Public Works Secretary, recommending similar exemption for Public Works Officers in the case of Public Works Department Inspection Lodges.

ORDER No. P. W. 2781-2841—S., DATED BANGALORE, THE 11TH MAY 1933.

Government are pleased to direct that no fees need be levied in the case of Officers of all Departments when they occupy, on duty, Public Works Department Inspection Lodges named below:—

Kolar District	.. Rama sagara	Kadur District	.. Magundi
Tumkur District	.. Nidasale		Yemmedoddi
Shimoga District	.. { Hulikal Kogaru Aralgode Karur	Hassan District	.. Pura
		Bhadra Anikat Range	.. Madapur
			.. { Sidlipur Kodligere

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